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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Carl M. Davis II on July 21, 2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the first line of claim 4, "11" should be changed to --1--.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: In the prior Office action filed March 19, 2004, dependent claims 2-4 and 10 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter. Applicant's amendment filed on June 24, 2004 incorporates the limitations of now-canceled claims 2 and 10 into independent claims 1 and 9, respectively. Since claims 6-8 were allowed in the previous Office action, Applicant's newly-added claim 11 is merely now-canceled claim 3 rewritten in independent form, and an updated search of the prior art yielded no other references pertinent to Applicant's claims, it is considered that the application is currently in proper condition for allowance.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

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fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Robert G. Santos whose telephone number is (703) 308-7469.

The examiner can normally be reached on Tues-Fr and first Mondays, 10:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Heather C. Shackelford can be reached on (703) 308-2978. The fax phone number

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